THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) According to Reserve Bank of India, during the last two years, they have not included any bank in the Second Schedule to Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.

Decline in Bank deposits

2465. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the aggregate deposits in the nationalised banks during the last three years, yearwise and bankwise;

(b) whether it is a fact that deposits with the nationalised banks are declining; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to make any scheme to attract people for depositing more money in the banks and if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) what is the estimated amount of money deposited by Indian nationals in foreign banks at present?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) The bank wise figures of aggregate deposits of 28 public sector banks for the years ending Dec., 1986, 1987 and December, 1988 are given in the Annexure [*See* Appendix CXLIX, Annexure No. 135]

(b) No, Sir;

(c) Mobilisation of deposits is an improtant activity of the banks and they strive for these through their service/banking facilities.

(d) The present reporting system does not generate information in the manner called for. However, the aggregate deposits of the foreign banks operating in India as on 30th December 1988 stood at Rs. 5274 crores.

Training institute for Judges

2466. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there was any proposal under Government's consideration to set up an institute to impart training to the Judges;

(b) if so, whether it has been set up; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE AND THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) to (c) The proposal is under consideration of the Government.

Law Commission's recommendations on Judicial reforms

2467. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) what recommendations regarding judicial reforms have recently been made by the Law Commission in its report;

(b) whether any recommendations have since been accepted by Government;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) if not, what steps are being taken to improve the functioning of the judicial system in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI HANS RAJ BHARDWAJ): (a) The recommendations of the Law Commission regarding Judicial Reforms are contained in its 114th to 129th and 131st Reports. Excepting 124th Report, copies of all other Reports have been laid on the Table of both Houses of Parliament. 124th Report deals with the subject of the High Court Arrears.

(b) to (d) The recommendations of the Law Commission are at various stages of consideration by the Government.

Cases Registered Under FERA

2468. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI T. R. BALU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state the number of cases which were registered for FERA violation during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): The Enforcement Directorate registered 19,836 cases of *prima facie* violatoin of the provisions of FERA during the last three years. The year-wise break-up of cases is given below:

1986	. .	6228 cases
1987	. .	7751 cases
1988	. .	5857 cases

State-wise statistics of the cases are not maintained in the Directorate of Enforcement.

News-item Captioned Italian Firm Let off the Hook'

2469. SHRI A. G. KULKARNI:
SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:
SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published in the Times of India, New Delhi dated the January 20, 1989 captioned "erring Italian firm let off the hook" and if so, what are the facts thereof; and

(b) whether Government propose to recover Rs. 82.44 lakhs from the firm as indicated by the Audit Wing of the Income-tax department?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) The facts of the case are as under:

M/s. Ansaldo Impianti is a non-resident company. It filed returns of income/loss for assessment years 1981-82 to 1985-86 with the Income-tax Department. The returns were signed by Shri P. M. Gerini, Chief Technical Co-ordinator of the company. By resolution of the Company dated 10th April, 1980, Shri Gerini was authorised to execute all such deeds and instructions to do all such things which in his opinion are necessary and convenient for carrying on and transacting the operation of the company in India. Shri Gerini was the power of attorney holder of the Company. The power of attorney was duly attested by the Embassy of India.

Under section 140 of the Income-tax Act, *inter alia*, the return should be signed and verified, in the case of a